The Life and Times of IsoMax

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Objective

- Embedded Programming using "IsoStructure"
 - http://www.camelforth.com/e107_files/downloads/ newmicros/product_manual/Isomax0.pdf
- Essentially a state machine run from a periodic interrupt
- "ServoPod" adds a servo control function from a second periodic interrupt

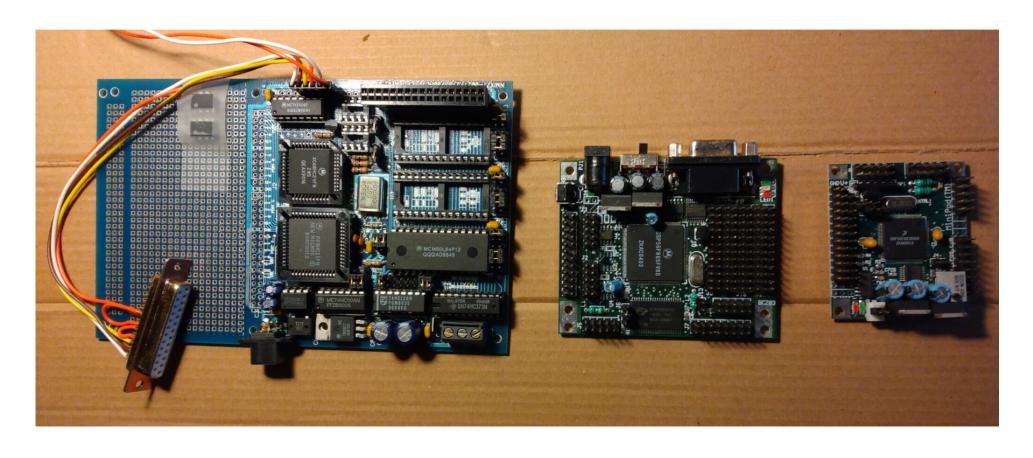
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STATE-MACHINE THERMOSTAT_A
ON-MACHINE THERMOSTAT_A
APPEND-STATE WAIT_ON_LOW_TEMP
APPEND-STATE WAIT_ON_HIGH_TEMP

IN-STATE WAIT_ON_LOW_TEMP
CONDITION TOO_COLD?
CAUSES HEATER_ON
THEN-STATE WAIT_ON_HIGH_TEMP
TO-HAPPEN

IN-STATE WAIT_ON_HIGH_TEMP
CONDITION TOO_WARM?
CAUSES HEATER_OFF
THEN-STATE WAIT_ON_LOW_TEMP
TO-HAPPEN

NMIX-0021, IsoPod X, MiniPod



Cast of Characters

- Randy Dumse, New Micros Inc.
 - Single Board Computers
 - MaxForth for various CPUs
 - State machine concept
- Rick VanNorman, ca. 1996-1997—
 - Design of IsoMax
 - First implementation of IsoMax, in MaxForth (68332)

Cast of Characters, cont'd.

- Rob Chapman, ca. June 1997
 - MaxForth in C, on MCore MMC2107 MCU.
- Brad Rodriguez
 - 2002-2003 IsoMax ported to DSP56803 MCU (IsoPod) using MaxForth in C
 - 2006-2007 IsoMax 2 on DSP56F8365 MCU (Super Pluga Pod), MaxForth in assembler

The Last Release

- First release: IsoMax v0.3, 2 Oct 2002
- Final release: v0.94 & v0.95, 5 Jul 2007
- IsoMax 2 beta test, never released, ca. 2013
- New Micros Inc. closes 2014 ?

Questions?

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